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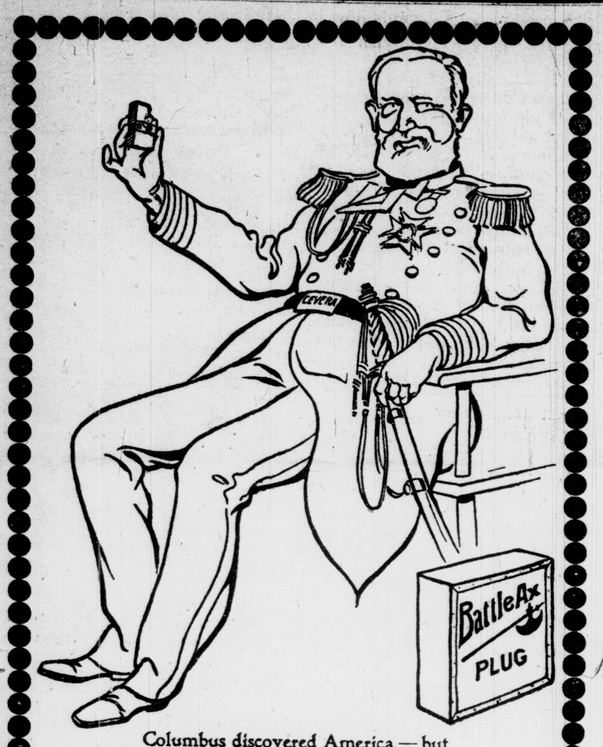

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LOCAL NEWS

Personals and Happenings of Interest Gathered for The Democrat's Many Readers.

FRIDAY AUGUST 26.

Walter Terrell is in Sherman today.

J. W. Jackson is in Sherman today.

Will Gerrish is in Sherman seeing the sights.

E. R. Hall is attending the reunion at Sherman.

Prof. J. B. Warren, of Weston, is in the city on business.

Mrs. Jas. Wiley is improving, after a week's illness.

Quite a number of McKinneyites are traveling this week.

Sheriff Coffey left for Ardmore this morning via Ft. Worth.

Boys, each day brings us nearer the ringing of the school bell.

Prof. J. H. Bright and family are moving to Whitewright today.

Business is perceptably on the increase in McKinney at present.

Messrs. Kemp and Morton are among the visitors to Sherman today.

The train to Sherman had two extra coaches loaded down with folks this morning.

Master William Purnell is now errand boy for the Mississippi store.

Miss Josie Parker has returned from a visit to Dallas, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Fahm.

Quite a number of McKinneyites are attending the big "blow out" at Sherman.

Hilary Ball has accepted a position at Largent Bros.

Brack Rhoden the grocer is spending the day in Sherman.

Dr. A. J. Caldwell is among the Sherman visitors today.

Will D. Davis who has been quite sick the past week is getting better.

Miss Dollie McDonald, of Pilot Point, is visiting friends in the city.

Oscar Goddard of the Examiner is in Sherman today attending the reunion.

Messrs. Geo. Walker and Alfred Allen are seeing the sights in Sherman today.

Mrs. A. L. Scott returned home to Sherman today after a visit to her sister, Mrs. Jas. Wiley.

Mr. Willie Bacon, of Vaiden, Miss., is visiting his cousin, Mr. M. E. Purnell, and is looking at Texas with a view to making it his future home.

The compress wharf is undergoing repairs today and all is in readiness for the cotton season.

M. V. Miller and son, Ed, of Dallas, returned home this morning, after a few days' visit to Mr. Ed Hinman.

The train to Sherman was an hour late this morning and it was indeed tiresome waiting for those going to the picnic.

Charlie Couch, who was bitten by a ground rattler some days ago is able to be on his crutches and will be able to go back to work in a few days.

Some of the young ladies of McKinney seem very anxious that Gen. Fitzhugh Lee sees the point of the resolutions sent him at once—one is quoted as saying "that if she could just see Mr. Lee she knows he would listen to her and grant all her wishes" and then pensively asked: "Reckon Mr. Lee is a married man?"

SATURDAY AUGUST 27

Ed Largent is buying goods in Dallas today.

Mrs. J. H. Walton went to Dallas today visiting.

Mr. Lough who has been sick so long is able to sit up.

The compress is making the first run of the season today.

Typhoid fever is causing a number of deaths in our midst.

Mrs. E. H. Bowlby is among the visitors to Sherman today.

Mrs. Ben Estes is visiting in Sherman and enjoying the reunion.

Jim Nenney leaves this evening to attend the campmeeting at Bethel.

Misses Jessie Barnes and Agnes McKinney went to Sherman this morning.

A. P. Carter has left his corner one time and will visit Mineral wells.

Jno. Church leaves today for Knoxville, Tenn., to visit relatives and friends.

Miss Dollie McDonald is visiting Miss Leona Barnes of this city.

The recent rains and muddy roads kept a number of the farmers out of town today.

CLEAN PEOPLE

Cleanliness goes with health. If we have catarrh anywhere we cannot be wholly clean.
Make systematic efforts to be free from this disgusting disease. Mrs. L. A. Johnston, 103 Pilham and Ripley Sts., Montgomery, Ala., tells her experience with catarrh of the stomach and how she was cured:
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The friends of Jake Blakeman are glad to know he is getting better and the chances for his recovery are good.

W. A. Martin, cashier of a bank at Rosedale, Miss., has disappeared—so has the cash.

The protracted meeting at the Baptist church has been hindered the last day or two by the rain.

Henry Warden has returned from a pleasant trip to the country.

R. L. Ray returned home from a business trip to Farmersville today.

Messrs. Sam Burks and Joe McKinney have been taking in the reunion.

Bob Walden and Sidney Smith are expected home today from Jacksonville.

Farmersville has been the recipient of three good rains this week, which were much needed.

It is reported that a man was killed at Allen yesterday by lightning but the particulars are unobtainable.

C. C. Milligan living four miles east of McKinney brings in the third bale of cotton today. At this writing his highest bid is 4.90.

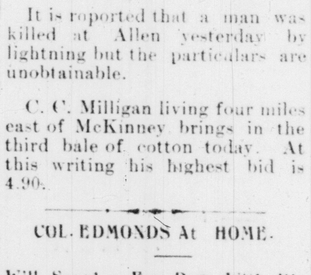
COL. EDMONDS At HOME.

Will Spend a Few Days With His Family In Greenville.

Greenville Banner.

Col. John C. Edmonds, commanding the Fourth Texas regiment of volunteers, arrived this morning from Houston where his regiment is encamped. The colonel will remain in the city until Sunday visiting his family, who are guests of Prof. and Mrs. J. M. McLeod.

Col. Edmonds says the only intimation he has had that his regiment is soon to be mustered out of the service came through the newspapers. "The day before I left Houston we received bills of lading for thirty tons of provisions and requisitions for overcoats in December. This doesn't look like we are to be mustered out very soon, does it?"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GOV. GIBBS.

The Great Mudsiller Stirs the Enthusiasm Of a Fair Audience

OF COLLIN COUNTY REFORMERS

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, populist candidate for governor came in this morning from Greenville and was welcomed by a representative crowd of the populists and escorted to the court house, where a very fair audience was waiting to receive, with cheers, their gifted leader. Upon his arrival at the court house the band struck up the old familiar and patriotic "Dixie" and then everybody knew that the great mudsiller was in town, and those populistically inclined, as well as others, filed into the court house and soon a good crowd was seated in the district court room.

The speaker was introduced by Capt. John Johnson, who in a short speech reviewed the rise and fall of democracy and the bright future of the populist party and with a befitting eulogy presented their candidate who was received with applause.

Mr. Gibbs dwelt at length on the relief railroad and more lengthily upon the short comings of the present and past democratic administrations both state and national, avoiding discussion of the absorbing expansion question and passing by unnoticed all financial issues.

His speech was in the rough accord with the populist platform and he handled all opposition without reserve placing the democratic parties, as he called them, below the level of the "black and tans" and classing the present nominees on the state ticket, as a clique, in touch with corporations and money power to perpetuate the damaging doctrines of democracy and the "state house ring."

Gibbs emphasized the fact more than one time, that his nomination was over his protest and that he did not want office, but was devoting time and money, with the hope of securing for the great common people the much needed reforms outlined in his speech.

He explained that a railroad could be built and equipped from the Gulf to the Red River, with the surplus school fund, at a maximum cost of ten thousand dollars per mile and that it would save to the producers and consumers many thousands annually and that until this was done prosperity would never smile upon him whose home was in Texas. His speech was interspersed with humor and was well received.—Courier.

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No school in Texas watches over its boys and young men more closely than Hawthorne College. The course of study for young men is full, practical and thorough.

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T. B. Stephens, Decatur
C. N. Vandervoot, New York
F. M. Cain, Dallas.
A. T. Lightfoot, Dallas
R. S. Houshages, Dallas.
S. J. Furlong, St. Louis.
J. J. Simmons, Dallas.
J. A. Chapman, Dallas.
H. F. Scheer, St Louis.

Polk Promoted.

A letter from Polk Oates of company C, 4th regiment to friends here contains the following copy of his appointment as regimental clerk:

Headquarters, 4th Texas Infantry,
Camp Tom Ball, Aug. 22.
H. D. Oates, Company 'C"

I hereby appoint you regimental clerk for the regiment. By order of Col. J. C. Edmonds, Commanding 4th Texas Inf U. S. V.
Spencer Huthins
1st Lieut. and Adjt.

COLLIN POPULISTS.

THEY MEET AND PUT OUT A TICKET.

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The Gibbs and Crane Letters.

POPULIST COUNTY NOMINEES.

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For Treasurer
J. A. SPAUGH
For Assessor
GEO. KENDALL
For County Clerk
JOHN W. HARDY
For District Clerk
S. L. BRADSHAW
For School Superintendent
D. D. KEMPER
For Surveyor
C. W. NOYES.

The Populists of Collin county met Saturday, August 27, in the district court room, with Hon. E. W. Kirkpatrick in the chair. S. L. Bradshaw of Anna was elected secretary, vice Walter B. Wilson who is in the service of his country. The convention was an adjourned meeting of the Farmersville meeting which selected delegates to the state convention, consequently the convention got down to business at once. The question of nominating a ticket was not discussed, from the fact that every body wanted a ticket. Every delegate, almost, was a farmer—an actual tiller of the soil, who is not moved by selfish motives—seeking place and power. He believes in populist principles and, evidently, don't care who knows it. He wants men to represent his ideas, not an individual boss, who lays the lash of defiant command on the back of a great congressional district and forces slavish obedience to a man who is just as much a czar as Speaker Reed. The ticket, which is printed at the head of this article, was nominated unanimously. In the near future we will give out a published sketch of each nominee. Suffice it to say now that every gentleman named is a hard, earnest and patriotic worker, either in field or shop, who is not a professional office seeker, who has never bored the voters and will continue to remain faithful to his duties in his avocation—in the great battle for bread. Everyone in their respective communities have neighbors who will testify to their worth. The convention, before adjourning, was addressed by Hon. E. W. Kirkpatrick, candidate for lieutenant governor. He made a forceful speech, full of wisdom.

Capt. John Johnson paid Gibbs a tribute. He had served in the Senate with Gibbs while the latter was Senator and while he was president of the Senate. He always found Gibbs on the side of the people.

The subject of campaign funds was considered. It was decided to collect as much as possible for a state and county fund and at the close of the campaign to publish a pamphlet and send to every subscriber to the fund, a complete statement of all collections and disbursements. This plan is adopted to inspire confidence among those who contribute and to show to the public that funds of populists are used only for purely legitimate means—not to buy votes or to bribe politicians into treachery. Chairman Bradley will also publish a statement of all state funds collected and how disbursed. There were ninety dollars collected and subscribed at the convention. The Executive Committee will need at least $300 for the state and county from Collin. To raise this amount every populist present was urged to go to work at once in his community and raise a few dollars and forward to the County Chairman E. C. Forbes at McKinney. The state headquarters and the county headquarters are anxious to get plenty of literature afloat as early as possible. Populists will please note and do some swift and effective work at once. County Chairman Forbes will shortly call the executive committee together to transact any business that may come before it. Every voting box should see that its committeeman attends, or else send some one to attend for him. We must work, and not neglect our duty.

Before the convention met Hon Barney Gibbs, our candidate for governor, made a captivating speech to a good crowd in the district court room. His exposition of the proposed relief railroad was excellent and elicited profound attention. The state issues were handled in a masterly manner. He dealt heavy blows at the politicians who are barking at the heels of Barney Gibbs. During the speech Mr. Gibbs referred to a mysterious appropriation which was granted to the state of Texas in the Federal billion dollar appropriation bill, and which, it is said, was engineered by Hogg, who received probably $10,000, or more, when it could have been collected with a two cent stamp. It was the duty of Attorney-General Crane to look after it, but as usual, it seems that "Charley Governor" wanted Hogg to have his finger in the pie in order that His Excellency could be able to make speeches advising the women to wear 4-cent calico dresses. The letters read, as passed between Gibbs and Crane created a sensation. We print them as follows:

LETTER FROM GIBBS.

M. M. Crane, Attorney General; W. B. Wortham, State Treasurer, Austin, Texas.

Dallas, Texas, August 21, 1898. —Dear Sirs: As a citizen, in the interest of a greater public knowledge, and on indefinite information from a democrat, I ask you to reply officially to the following questions:

1. In the recent billion dollar congressional appropriaton bill, was there granted to the State of Texas, $75,000, or any similar amount.

2. If the appropriation was allowed, on what account was it?

3. Was it collected through State officials, and if not who represented the State of Texas, and on what terms?

4. Has any of the money been paid, and if so, how much thereof? Respectfully,

BARNETT GIBBS.

Hon. Barnett Gibbs, Dallas, Texas.

Austin, Texas, August 23. 1898. —Dear Sir: Replying to yours of the 21st instant, I have to say that I am informed by the treasurer, Hon. W. B. Wortham, that he will answer your questions as to how much money was appropriated by congress and the account on which it was appropriated, and inform you of the fact the check for same is now in his possession. It only remains for me, therefore, to answer you as to the third question: "Was it collected through State officers, and if not, who represented the State of Texas, and on what terms?"

You could have made this question more direct, but I waive that. I have never seen the check, but I understand it was sent payable to Governor Culberson, and by him transferred to the treasurer for collection. Of course it is not necessary for me to state to you that the appropriation was made through Texas congressmen, as no State official could have done that. Personally, I know of no contract in reference to this fund, I have been informed that there was some kind of contract made between Governor Culberson and ex-Governor Hogg. I have seen that fact stated in the daily papers. I never saw the contract and did not know of its existence until I heard of it casually, therefore I am not able to give you any information as to its contents. I presume however that the matter was not intended to be secret and if you ask Governor Culberson for a copy of it he will cheerfully furnish it. I was at one time called into consultation with Governor Culberson and ex-Governor Hogg. That was a good many months ago. We were discussing the probable necessity of bringing suit in the court of claims for the amount of money involved and of the advisability of employing ex-Governor Hogg to assist in the contemplated litigation. The merits of the claim were discussed while I was present, but very little else. I left before the conference was ended. I presume that a contract was the result of further deliberations, but as above stated, I knew nothing of that until long after it was consummated.

Thus you have all of the information on the subject of your inquiry that I possess and I have stated to you where you can get all the other facts of which I am not in possession. Yours truly,
M. M. CRANE,
Attorney General.

Hon. R.Q. Mills, United States Senator; Hon. J. W. Bailey, Member of Congress; Hon. R. B. Hawley, Member of Congress; Hon. S. T. Lanham, Member of Congress.

Dallas, Texas, August 24. 1898. —Gentlemen: As you are leading representatives of the people, and my self an humble private citizen, will you answer officially the following questions:

1. Did this congress of which you are members appropriate $75-000 or $100,000 for the State of Texas, or any similar amount?

2. Was there any numerous or lengthy depositions, or other work done before congress, or was it a mere balance due the State on the Federal book? Would you have charged Texas for the collection?

3. Were you asked to secure the money?

4. Have you stated since the appropriation was made to any one that you knew of no such appropriation?

5. Did you know or work for such appropriation? Respectfully,

BARNETT GIBBS.

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The Revival Meeting.

The revival meeting at the First Baptist church continues with increasing interest. Great crowds heard Rev. John Holland, who who is doing the preaching, yesterday. The spacious auditorium was filled to overflowing with earnest worshipers last night. Mr. Holland preached on "God's love for us," "What it has done for us," "What it is doing for us," "and what it promises and will do for us." He tenderly and eloquently developed these points. At the close of the sermon three new members were received into the fellowship of the church, making seven received during the day. The service was closed by the pastor, Dr. E. E. King, solemnly administering the ordinance of baptism in the conveniently arranged baptistry. He announced that others would be baptized at the close of the service this evening, and that the services would continue daily at 10 a. m., 4 p. m. and 8 p. m.

CASTORIA.
Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

South McKinney Items.

Mrs. C. C. Cross returned last Saturday from an extended visit to relatives and friends, in Missouri and Illinois. Her sister, Miss Hettie Lewis, came home with her to spend the winter.

Mr. David Venus, of Croal Springs, Ill., has come to make Texas his home. He is a nephew of Mr. and Mrs. Cross.

All Petersburg is glad to know that Prof. Shepherd will be principal of Petersburg public school during 1898 and 1899. Prof. Shepherd says that he will adopt the grading as Prof. Cross left it; Mr. Cross takes this as a compliment.

Miss Anna Spencer is convalescing.

The new railroad crossing near Mr. Russell's is the most convenient improvement in town.

Miss Hattie Hedgcoxe has returned from a three week's visit to Sanger, Denton county.

The little folks of Petersburg will enjoy a social at Mr. and Mrs. Yeagers this evening, given in honor of their little daughter, Etta.

Messrs. Chas. Phelps and Billy Tichner, Brack Rhoden, Payton Westmoreland, John White, Jesse Atkinson, John Moore, Less White and Fount Shrader were among the McKinneyites who attended the meeting at Bethel yesterday.

H. K. Wallace, who lives just north of McKinney, brought one dozen of the largest ears of corn to town it has ever been our good fortune to look upon. He turned them over to E. W. Kirkpatrick, who is gathering up a selection of Collin county products to send to the Omaha exposition.

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THE DEMOCRAT.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 1, 1898.

P. C. THOMPSON, Editor and Proprietor.
WALTER B. WILSON, Local Editor.

Our Editorial Platform.

We will speak out, we will be heard,
Though all earth's systems crack,
We will not bate a single word,
Nor take a letter back.

We speak the truth, and what care we
For hissing and for scorn,
While some faint gleamings we can see
Of freedom's coming morn?

Let liars fear, let cowards shrink,
Let traitors turn away,
Whatever we have dared to think
That dare we also say.
—James Russell Lowell.

God Give Us Men.

"Men whom the spoils of office will not buy,
Men who have opinions and a will,
Men who have honor, men who wil not lie."

Populist State Ticket

Governor.
BARNEY GIBBS,
Lieut-Governor,
E W KIRKPATRICK,
Attorney General,
J H DAVIS,
Comptroller,
E P ALSBURY,
Treasurer,
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Land Commissioner,
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Supt. Pub. Instructions.
V A COLLINS,
R. R. Commissioner,
JACK FARLEY,
Associate Justice,
T J McMINN.
Court of Criminal Appeals,
J T TODD.

Wynne said that corporation money beat him.

In 1895 Sayers said that free silver was a humbug.

Every gold organ in the state is for Sayers and Browning.

As a "Gas Blower" the author of the above is a success.

As a "wind jammer" Blarney Gibbs hasn't an equal in this wide world.—McKinney Gazette.

Crane said that Sayers election means that the party is to be controlled by gold bugs.

A Kansas man has for his motto; "Love God, whip your enemies and fear the devil."

It seems that Miles and Alger have things in "a pretty fix."—What next?

Corbett and McCoy will fight on October the fifteenth at Checktowago.

The fire at Nashville yesterday cost one-half million dollars.

The Manitou and Pike's Peak railroad has just signed a contract for a large observatory to be built on the top of Pike's Peak.

Capt. Phillip, formerly, of the Texas, has been appointed commander of the 2nd North Atlantic squadron with the cruiser, New York as his flag ship.

The Czar of Russia has written a note to the nations that will likely bring about permanent peace throughout the world. The Czar must be a patriot worth reading about.

In the rumble of peace commissions, the Miles-Alger "communistic cat fit," the starving groans of the troops at Santiago and elsewhere, and the glorious yells of the boys who are coming home from the army—we almost lose sight of Hon. Mr. Senator Markus Corkus Hanna.

P. B. Hall living 22 miles west of McKinney on Little Elm in Denton county brought McKinney her fourth bale of cotton today. He was offered 4:85 when the reporter saw him.

It seems that Gen. Miles disobeyed the teacher's rules and some naughty "boy" told on him and now a floggin' is in order—poor Miles—got a whippin' the first day.

The people have listened patiently to war editorials and expansion and imperialism expounded, explained, supported and denounced by local newspapers till it might be in good order to desist—for a while at least.

The Daily Times-Headlight at Greenville gave up the ghost yesterday after a stormy voyage and case of sea sickness from which it seemed impossible for it to recover. The evening Banner of that city assumes the Times-Headlight circulation.

The World's Great
Blood Purifier is
Hood's Sarsaparilla,
Which absolutely
Cures every form of
Impure blood, from
The pimple on your
Face to the great
Scrofula sore which
Drains your system.
Thousands of people
Testify that Hood's
Sarsaparilla cures
Scrofula, Salt Rheum,
Dyspepsia, Malaria,
Catarrh, Rheumatism,
And That Tired
Feeling. Remember this

E. G. Senter Crane's campaign manager said that votes were bought for Sayers at Waco for ten dollars a piece.

Hon. George Clark the man who caused the convention in 1894 to endorse Cleveland is working for Sayers and Browning. Why not?

The pops run out of material here Saturday, and failed to put up a condidate for county attorney or judge.—McKinney Gazette.

It is true we have no such material in our party as the author of the above. In this we deserve congratulations.

We will print the opening speech of E. W. Kirkpatrick, candidate for lieutenant Governor, in our next issue.

Mr. Browning has never been a democrat only when it suited him. He is a dyed-in-the-wool, blowed-in-the-bottle, gold bug, and a follower and disciple of Bolter Geo. Clark. He has never been in line with the Texas democracy.—McKinney Gazette, July 21.

Don't be idle, life is too short to lose any time in idleness, don't depend on your father and mother for your nice clothes and your primping expenses. The world is tired of this, "sassiety" can stand a little of it occasionally but when it finds that "dad" pays the freight it is disgusted with you and the world loses confidence in your ability and your capacity. If you are the identical dirt that a good man is made of you will not lounge in idleness a single day, if you are alright the world needs you, if not she will not miss you when you are gone. The present exigences and demands of citizenship, of philosiphy, of science and of everything that is good need you. Life is too short and too fast to lose a minute in folly and foppery—The century is moving onward and upward. We are living in an age of progress and push. Shed your standing collars, Sunday duds and get in the game, we are in a hurry but you can join the crowd and make an honest effort, some one will see and understand, and in time you will feel the support and encouragement of a helping hand.

Ignorance or Malicious Misstatement. Which?

Kansas has had in time all kinds of political monstrocities to deal with—from Mary Ellen Lease to Sockless Jerry—but never until now has she shown a disposition to elect an out and out socialist as a governor. Nothing better could be expected of Kansas, however when some of her populists politicians and editors refer of the American flag as a painted rag on a stick.—McKinney Gazette

Our "Mushroom" friend in from the wilderness as usual makes a mule of himself by penning the above imbecile squib. On reading the above one is forced to the conclusion that it was originated in the sphere of dense ignorance and prejudice, or else is the product of malicious intent to misrepresent the facts. When the Gazette man wrote the above why did he not tell the public that when the populist ticket was nominated—which included the present Governor, Leedy—not long since, the democratic state convention of Kansas met and indorsed the same. You pretend to be a "democrat of the old school" and to be a "meek and lowly" follower of W. J. Bryan, notwithstanding this distinguished gentleman indorsed both the populists of Kansas and Nebraska. If the editor of the Gazette would consult his printers more frequently he would stand a better chance to convince the public that he has passed the primary department in the school of politics.

An Accidental Shooting.

Early this morning Dr. Wylie was hurriedly called to the home of Uncle Billy Jones near Celina, to attend the wound of his son-in-law, Henry Wilson, who shot himself in the foot late yesterday afternoon. Mr. Wilson formerally ran a meat market in McKinney, going out of business sometime last spring. At the time he was shot he was moving with his family to Aubrey, Denton county, when but a little ways west of Celina, he alighted after shooting some game and on taking the gun to the wagon it was discharged, the contents taking effect in his foot. He was immediately brought back to Uncle Billies. Dr. Wylie says his wounds are very painful but that his foot will get well and that he may not be crippled after the wound is healed.

When John Gets Back.

Stir 'bout Lindy, go tell mam,
Fix dat lite bred and slice dat ham;
We's all gwine down wid Uncle Ephriham
Ter see Jonn back hum fum the army.

John's dun writ ter fadder Ephriham
Dat he's gwine er quit fightin fer Uncle Sam,
Fer he's cleaned up de Spaniards jes like jam,
And he's on his way hum fum the army,

And Uncle Ephriham, he jes can't keep calm,
Sez dey gwine ter meet de solgers wid a brazen band,
An have er meeten and er greeten that I sho be grand.
When John gets hum fum de army.

So Lindy you better git to siftin sand,
And when the cars roll in we'll be on hand,
But don't get cranky like dey did bout dat Hobson man.
When John gets back hum fum de army.

—Courier.

Gentlemen, where is your political patriotism now? You had a great deal to say about patriotism when you wanted the populists to nominate Bryan in 1896.

J. N. Browning of Amarillo is a candidate for lieutenant governor. He has been one of the most persistent anti-railroad commission men and gold bugs in Texas. He was leader of goldbug forces from this senatorial district at Dallas in August 1894, in forcing on the people of Texas a gold platform, and the people from the forks of the creek will remember him for what he has done against them.—Vernon Call. (Dem.)

Ash Grove Pickups.

Quite a number of this community attended the Holiness meeting last night.

Revs. Cameron and White are holding a meeting at Chambersville.

The Ash Grove Sunday school attended the picnic at Pafford Camp Ground Aug. 20. A nice time was reported.

Mr. Charles Moore and daughter Linnett are visiting relatives at Grand Junction Colorado.

Mr. A. M. Wilson has returned from a weeks sajourn at the Omaha exposition.

Mr. Jim Wilmeth's baby who has been dangerously sick for sometime is reported no better at this writing.

Mr. Hugh Robbins and Miss Allie Self were married at the bride's father, the 25th. Quite a number of relatives and friends were present.

Miss Laura Wallice is visiting with Mrs. Charles Moore at present.

Miss Kate Young who has been ill with fever, for sometime, is rapidly improving.

ETHEL.

Altoga Anthems.

Aug. 30, 1898.

Messrs Will Carroll, Cal Dunn, John Mantooth, Bill Lacy, Bill Johnson and Robt. Dunn returned Monday from a weeks trip to the Territory.

J. C. Dunn has bought an interest in the Altoga Drug Co. stock and hereafter it will be known as J. C. Dunn & Co.

John Moreland, Wesley Lawson and Hiram Vance returned last week from Brandon Hill county.

Dick Carson is at home again after an absence of several months.

One day last week Mrs. Hays received the sad news of her fathers death near Blue Ridge, which was very sudden.

Jim Moore and family are visiting relatives here at present. Mr. Moore lives at Denison and has been in the employ of the railroad company at that place for several years as foreman.

Messrs Mantooth & Collins went to Dallas the latter part of last week on business.

The farmers say their cotton crops are being terribly damaged by bole-worms. Not much encouragement — worms and low prices.

Dunn & Smart will finish threshing this week.

Jno. R. Gunter, of Hill county, is visiting J. Y. Hipp at present.

Miss Hattie Moreland is on the sick list.

Will Smith and family of Princeton are visiting Uncle Jimmie Smith of this place.

J. A. Moreland attended the republican convention at Fort Worth.

Mr. Lindsey of Anna has been attending the bedside of his son here the past week or two.

Several young people of this place attended church at Verona Sunday.

Frank Dunn is clerk for the new firm, J. C. Dunn & Co.

E. C. Forbes, of Anna is here.

Jim Lindsey who has been very low for several months died Sunday morning. He was buried in the Altoga cemetry Monday. Rev. Douglas of Melissa conducted the funeral exercises. He leaves a wife and two children. The whole community joins in extending their sympathy to the family in their bereavement.

Marvel Vermillion and Miss Julia Boyer, two highly estimable young people of our community were joined in wedlock by Eld. W. H. Dunn at Gray Bill, Sunday. They will reside here in the future. To the bride and groom we extend hearty congratulations, trusting that their future pathway will meander through a wilderness of flowers and finally terminate in the realms of eternal joy.

QUIEN SABE.

Prof. W. M. Irwin, of Melissa, democratic nominee for county Sup't., of schools, who has been visiting his old home in Missouri has returned and is on our streets to day.

The woodwork on J. R. Gough's new residence on College Hill is finished and when the house is completed inside and out it will be indeed a credit to that part of the city.

Giles McKinney and Mr. Willet attended the meeting at Allen last evening. They report a splendid meeting which has been conducted by Evangelist Saunders, one of the ablest Christian preachers in Texas. The meeting closed last night.

FROM COMPANY C.

No News Of Disbanding--More Rigid Rules Being Inaugurated.

Camp Tom Ball, Houston, Texas. Aug. 30, 1898.

As intimated in our last communication, military rules are being more rigidly drawn about the Fourth each succeeding day. As an evidence of this, Lieut. Col Hardy, commanding, instructed the guards, Saturday to shoot soldiers running the picket lines whenever they fail to halt after due summons. Early in the evening of the same day one picket was relieved of duty and promptly incarcerated in the guard house for failure in carrying out this seemingly harsh duty, to his mind. This sentry's punishment served as an earnest to the colonel's orders to "shoot to hit." In the afterpart of the same night two other daring soldiers committing the grave offense were fired upon by three sentrymen, whose gunflashes showed their aim to be uncomfortably close to the two fleeing forms The three sentinels who fired happened to be all company C boys—privates, Moyers, Stancil and Sam Williams. The colonel satisfied himself that they really shot to kill and declares he will stamp out this pernicious violation of rules even if it requires the severest means known in warfare to do it. Thus by degrees it is dawning upon the boys what is really meant by service in Uncle Sam's army.

Col. Edmonds has forbidden all crap shooting and other forms of gambling in Camp Tom Ball and is rendering effective his orders. However, he yet tolerates several saloons inside the picket lines, which keep open every day and Sunday too. A shooting gallery also runs full blast on Sundays and dances are regular Sunday night occurences. The Y. M. C. A. and salvation army are on the grounds too, most of the time doing their best to mix it with the desecrators of the holy day. But the contest seems to be unequal, judging from the relative sizes of their audiences.

Houston seems to have a wet season too, as well as Cuba. Perhaps on a majority of the days since we have been here rain has fallen. Not heavy rains, but light sun showers, which usually fall from one to two o'clock. The midday heat still ranges at an average of nearly 100 degrees, the nights are getting perceptibly cooler and blankets are comfortable along towards morning.

Sergt. W. R Abernathy will secure a furlough and visit home probably this week.

S. E. (Pickles) Taylor is recreating and visiting relatives at Crockett, Texas.

Requisition for the Fourth's second supply of clothing was mailed to the gulf department quartermaster at Atlanta, Ga., last week.

The yellow fever scare and Galveston quarantine is a deadener on the Fourth's contemplated recreation trip to La Port. It is postponed indefinitely.

Company C, is still represented in the hospital. Its members in that institution are, Sam Stevens, fever, convalescing; Tom Sanderlin and Virgil Biggers, both have tonselitis; Emmet Roach, yellow jaundice. While these are under care of hospital, they are able to come over to quarters occasionally except Stevens.

Minor L. Moore of company C, is clerk of the summary court, which holds daily sessions at Camp Tom Ball to attend to petty offences committed by the soldiers.

Capt. Rhea has been quite sick for several days in his tent. The general health of the regiment is on the decline, as was demonstrated yesterday when 115 men, or nearly one-twelfth of the entire regiment, were on the sick rolls, being confined either in the hospital or in their quarters and unable for duty. Malaria is invading our camp. While the conveniences are excellent, and to all appearances, the camp is favorably located for the best or health among the soldiers, yet the surgeons believe a change to a higher altitude is now badly needed by the Fourth. There are only two or three serious cases of fever in the whole regiment. But the rosy tint of health has departed from the sunken cheek of numbers of robust-looking soldiers to be seen in ranks a month ago.

W. B. WILSON.

When the Boys Come Home.

Since the powers that be, have surprised our boys at Houston by the announcement that the 4th Texas is to be mustered out, the disappointment or disfavor, with which the news was received by the soldier boys is fully counteracted by the joy of loved ones left at home.

Just think, the boys are coming home, and when the band plays Dixie, when the first glimpse of the blue and the brass buttons meet our eyes, how eagerly we will look for our best friend, our sweetheart, our brother or our son and how happy we will be when we grasp their hand once more. There will be the soldier's mother, upon whose breast he learned to lisp the first cooing sound; listened to the first sweet lullaby, and under whose tender care he learned his first lessons in patriotism, and her joy will reach its zenith and her boundless love will go forth to her boy, the idol of all her hopes, who went away [illegible]

may be to moisten the soil of an unknown land with his blood. Think of the fears and apprehensions, the doubts and the misgivings of her, whose love is as grand and broad and bright as the sunshine; and now the joy, the peace, the contentment, at the happy realization, the full, clear knowledge that her boy is home again. No words can tell all the sweetest symphonies of all the ages, the suaviloquy of all the languages and others with thrice the power of our own are powerless to portray the joy and gladness of that mother's heart with one-half the eloquence of the silent tear upon her cheek.

When the boys come home, how we will listen to the stories they will tell, the jokes they will relate and the songs they will sing. How fondly will the sweethearts meet to renew old pledges and whisper new vows; to talk of new plans and to dream of brighter hopes and greater ambitions. How strangely sweet life will seem, without a care, as heart leaps to heart and love clings to love—when the boys come home—but then, 'twill not be joy in every home, some hearts will ache, some chair will not be refilled, some bright, happy, hopeful, familiar smile will not greet us again. He, whom we loved and cherished, whose welfare and comfort and joy held the first place in our hearts may not come back—and then the sorrow, the dispair, the bitter aching storm of unconsolable grief that will burst upon our soul; the cruel disappointment that will come into our hearts and steal the last ray of light and joy and shatter the last fond hope, the last treasured dream. In the happy knowledge, the sweet realization that your boy has returned, let us stop in our gladness to mingle our tears of joy with the bitter tears of sorrow of those whose cherished son and brother failed to return. Let us blend our joy with their unconsolable sorrow. It will make us happier and will ease the bitter burden of those disappointed loved ones whose sweetest dreams, whose fondest hopes, whose one single happy, hopeful thought has been to see the boys come home.

FROM THE MOBILE BOYS.

A Summer Night's Dream in Camp Ft. Morgan.

Ft. Morgan, Ala., Aug. 27, '98.
To The Courier:

As it is impossible to sleep tonight on account of the rain and mosquitoes, and to pass off the long weary hours, I thought I would drop the Courier a few lines to let the people of McKinney have a little knowledge of what we have to endure in the swamps and thirty miles from civilization.

To the best of my knowledge there isn't a man in camp that has a dry thread to put on. The floor in some of the boy's tents have washed away, and those who are on higher ground have water running over the floor from one to three inches deep.

Two of the McKinney boys, Sam Davis and Geo. Malone are getting full benefit of the rain tonight walking sentinel. Marion Commons came off guard duty this morning ringing wet and without a change of clothes.

The mosquitoes or (Ft. Morgan eagles) are out with slickers on tonight as thick as usual. Mosquito bars are of little use to us, the smaller mosquitoes go through the meshes the same as if it wasen't there and the galinipers tear large gaps in them. Some of the boys have tried screen cloth with very little success. Sometimes the boys get desperate and swim far out into the bay running the risk of meeting sharks just to get a few moments peace.

Although we have suffered from the climate and mosquitoes, Uncle Sam hasen't forget to clothe and thoroughly equip us. Yesterday was the third time we have drawn clothes since enlisting. The following is a list of the equipments and clothes we have drawn: Three uniforms, blue; two uniforms, white duck; one uniform, brown duck; two campaign hats; four suits underwear; two pair leggins; three pair shoes.

Our old guns were turned in and new ones were given us, also belts and bayonets.

Trusting to mingle among the McKinney people again soon, I remain, yours respect't,

J. B. ROBERTS.

It is good sometimes to throw down the cares of life, to forget for a moment, the burdens and bruises, the shadows and sorrows, the troubles and tribulations, the doubts and dogmas, the fears and frowns of life and rest and live in the sunshine of hope, peace and anticipation, to wander away from the noise of the street, the hurry and flurry of the town and sip at the fountain of nature's celestial joys, to loll in the cooling shades of refreshing meadow, to dwell for a day with the birds and the flowers in the romance of the forest—the veritable pantheon of the Gods. Take a day off. It makes life sweeter and better, renews your energies, refreshes your mind, rekindles the lingering fires of your ambition, stirs the magnanimity of your heart and inspires your soul—don't forget the beauties of nature and the majesty of God in your anxiety to get rich.

The streets and alleys of McKinney are now in first class

THE SICK AT CAMP WIKOFF.

It Is Denied That There Is Any Yellow Fever Among the Troops There.

WHAT DR. SENN SAYS OF THE CAMP.

He Is Positive That All the Sickness There Was Brought by the Soldiers From Cuba.

THE INVESTIGATION AT CAMP THOMAS.

General Boynton Says the Camp Is an Ideal One, and Attention to the Sick Is as Good as Could Be Expected.

New York, Aug. 31.—The medical officers of Camp Wikoff, Montak Point, deny that there has been any deaths at the camp hospital from yellow fever. Two men, whose death there Monday said to be attributable to that disease named, were, according to the surgeon in charge, victims of peonivous malarial fever, which those unfamiliar with yellow fever frequently diagnose as the latter.

Dr. Nicholas Senn assistant surgeon general of the United States Army is quoted as saying:

"In justice to the camp I want to say almost none of the sickness among the soldiers up to the present time, and none of the deaths, have been due to conditions which now prevail here, or have passed. The sickness has been almost entirely limited to fevers contracted in the south, and the death rate would have been much more than now had the men remained in the south instead of being brought here. Change of climate lessened the effects of the fever and improved the condition of the men. As a consequence the only sickness which can be attributed to the death rate is dysentery or lesser troubles which may have been caused by a change of diet or water.

"So far none of the fevers have been indigenous to the camp. But if they remain they will certainly be attacked with typhoid fever. This will be from the germs which they will get in the water. For a time this camp will be a healthy one, but in a few weeks typhoid fever germs from sinks and cesspools now scattered so thickly about will permeate the earth and contaminate the water supply."

Several hundred cots have arrived and put up in the different hospitals. There is now enough room to accommodate all the sick.

Convalescents are being discharged daily from the hospitals and their places are being taken by sick from transports.

Investigation of Camp Thomas.

Chickamauga, Aug. 31.—General H. V. Boynton, chairman of the Chickamauga national military park commission, ordered by the war department to thoroughly investigate the condition of Camp Thomas and report thereon, has completed his report and forwarded it to Washington. The report is favorable on nearly every matter investigated. The water is said to be good, ground well adapted for camping purposes, hospital well located and the attention given the sick as good as could be expected. The indications are the report will bring on a warm dispute of the numerous statements contained therein, contradicted by high army officials. The full text of the report is expected to be made public by the government officials after they have passed on it.

Owing to a slight unexpected hitch which has occurred between army officials and the railroads the work of moving the First corps to Anniston, Ala., has not yet begun.

SEVERE STORM ON THE GEORGIA COAST.

It Is Feared Much Damage Has Resulted at Tybee Island, as the Wind Reached a High Rate.

Savannah, Aug. 31.—A heavy storm is sweeping along the coast. The wind at this place has blown a gale since 9 o'clock last night, reaching a velocity of about 60 miles an hour at 8 o'clock this morning. Telephone connection with Tybe island is cut off and nothing has been heard from there since early in the night. There is much fear for the shipping there and at quarantine.

The lowlands are flooded and heavy damage to rice and cotton will result. Railroads tracks are washed out and trains on all roads are delayed.

So far no damage has been reported in the city. At 4 o'clock this morning the wind reached a velocity of 75 miles an hour and rain was pouring in torrents. The streets are filled with debris. The last report from Tybee, early in the night, was that the wind was blowing 70 miles an hour and the operator in the signal station was just leaving for the lighthouse for safety.

The quarantine station is believed to have been abandoned before the escape of the occupants was cut off.

Fight Is Coming Off.

New York, Aug. 31.—It is officially announced that all opposition the Corbett-McCoy fight has disappeared and the contest is certain to come off. Seats are selling rapidly.

Ward Killed.

Edna, Tex., Aug. 31.—P. F. Ward of Caran Calina was killed on Sunday.

Killed His Wife and Suicided.

Middlesborough, Ky., Aug. 31.—Walter Burrows killed his wife and shot himself, dying instantly. Mrs. Burrows was shot three times through the heart. The tragedy was due to jealousy, which neighbors say was groundless.

Battle With Cowboys.

El Paso, Tex., Aug. 31.—In endeavoring to arrest three boisterous cowboys at Seguro, sixteen miles east of here, Ben F. Lowe, better known as Diamond Dick, a state ranger, was mortally wounded, Oscar J. Brown, a prominent young Texan, was instantly killed and one of the cowboys was slightly [illegible]

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1 gallon coffee pot.....15c
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Children's shoes of all descriptions. Prices lowest. Full line of Levy Straus' overalls and work shirts. Everything generally carried in a first class dry goods and general store like ours.

These are just a few. It will pay you to watch the "little Fair" store on the corner this fall.
We are little, but "terrible loud" on bargains for the people.
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A LETTER FROM THE ROCKIES.

Mr. C. B. Moore Writes Of the Scenes and Incidents About Pike's Peak.

Manitou, Aug. 24, 1898.
F. C. Thompson

We left McKinney, Aug. 18, and had an uneventful run by Dallas to Ft. Worth, where we stayed all night. Left Ft. Worth at 9:30 a. m. on the 19th, and had a pleasant run till night. We then took sleepers, rested well and waked up to find ourselves in New Mexico. In the night at Texline on the line between Texas and New Mexico we crossed the time line where the watches are set back one hour and run mountain time.

Passed through a prairie dog town where the inhabitants seemed to be having a picnic. So used to the trains were the little dogs they only stopped a moment to look at us and then went on with their social sports.

Got off at Colorado Springs and took an electric car for Manitou. Put up at the Barker house, and took an electric car up the canyon to the foot of Pikes Peak. Found at the Dewey Cottage a room with beds, chairs, dishes and table at $5 a week for all four of us, so the next morning we moved up and took possession. Our eatables do not cost over 10 cents a piece per meal and we are doing first rate.

Sunday our landlord, Wetheral, took us in his hack up William's canyon high on the mountain to the "Cave of the Winds." All went in the cave but me. Then down the canyon and out to the "Garden of the Gods" and back home well paid for our time and money.

Tom B. Wilson, Linnet and Stella walked up Pike's Peak to the half way house, lunched and came back through a drizzle and though damp and tired out were all right next morning.

Manitou in Igermans canyon has but one street called Rixton avenue.

A roaring mountain torrent tumbles down the canyon with only room on one side for electric cars and wagon roads. Houses are stuck in the hill side and perched up on the mountain side from 50 to 500 feet above the road. We are 50 feet up two flights of stairs, street cars pass every five minutes. Bicycles and burros (little Spanish donkeys) are passing all the time. Women and men ride the burros astride to the top of the peak and great caravans of men and women on burros, packed with tent and camp equpages go out camping in the mountains. Great big women riding all over a little goat-like donkey leaves nothing but the ears, feet and tail in sight.

There is a craze here for pictures taken on burro's back. Linnet and Miss Dalton, a Texas girl, mounted their donkeys with Spanish hats and rode (not astride) to a picturesque place in the canyon and had their photo taken.

Capt. Boyd, Geo Fox, W. E. Ditto and Mrs. Jim White are here. Will probably leave here on Sunday, the 28th, for a run across the Rockies to Grand Junction, where I may report to you again.

C. B. MOORE.

Miss Nettie Erwin, of Sherman, came in today and will take her place as teacher of the 3rd., 3rd., and 4th. grades in Hawthorn College. Miss Erwin is an accomplished young lady of many graces and no better selection could have been made by the college.

Gid Dowlin and wife returned yesterday evening from the French Wells near Point.

Things I Heard.

I heard a woman's voice, and then I heard a man swear and I saw the pathos of life, I heard the fall from the sublime to the ridiculous. I heard the miserable whirr of the chaotic chasm of discontent, and I heard the murmering vespers of oscitant waters. I heard the syborites revelry in the den of shame and sin, and I heard the uplifting tones of sweet music as the notes trembled in entrancing rhyme to inspire and woo the souls of men. I heard the trill of the mocking bird to its mate, and the supercilious scowl of the millionaire to the mendicant. I heard the wild impetuous pleadings of some orator, and his words revealed the majesty of his mind and the divinity of his thought, and then I heard the curse of some murderer whose words revealed the cruel savagery of his heart; I heard the songs of birds and the baying of dogs, the lulling vespers of the evening zephyrs and the vehement whiz of the bumble-bee. I heard the roar of cannons and the rumbling of cars, the whirr of spindles and the hum of peace and prosperity; I heard the anthems of the radiant rivers, the lullabys of the rolling seas as they mingled with the songs of the birds and the music of the nations. And I laughed and thought after all it is good to live, with all the sin and shame, the cruelty and degradation, the murder and injustice, that the beauties of life were still the most; that the grandeur of nature and the divinity of God were still the nucleous of our minds and that we should make the best of life by living right. The words that Gray wrote came to me here: "The boast of heraldry, the pomp of power, all that beauty all that wealth e're gave, await alike the inevitable hour, the paths of glory lead but to the grave." And it has been ever thus throughout the transcending ages since man first entered upon his heritage of a transitory respite among the intiatory edens of this terrestrial sphere where his only pleasures are in the exercise of his senses, that countless numbers have lived and died unmindful of the earth's supernal majesty and in constant ogganition of their destinies, while comparatively few have realized the myriad enjoyments which the world affords to those who learn to love the handiwork of nature and to imbibe the inspiring beauties that freely regale the ear of he who hears aright the ripple of the rivulet and the magnificence of the thunder, and he who sees aright the exquisite beauties of the dew drop and the magnificent splendor of the lightning.

Tom Webb, an old McKinney boy, who left here about a year ago and went north to join the Regulars returned today from Pontauk Point, R. I., where he was sent after the battle of Santiago. Tom was in the fight at Santiago and says it was evidently "a warm time." He is home on a 30 days furlough.

To Jacksboro by Rail...

The ROCK ISLAND line is now completed to Jacksboro, and commencing Monday, Aug. 29, **Regular Train Service,** will be inaugurated with the following schedule:

Leave Jacksboro 6 a. m.
Arrive at Fort Worth 10:10 a. m.
Returning
Leave Fort Worth 3:50 p. m.
Arrive Jacksboro 8:15 p. m.

For the present trains will be run daily except Sunday.

E. T. ORTON,
G. P. & T. A., Corner 5th and Main, Fort Worth, Texas.

Democratic Announcements.

For Local Representative
JOHN R. SMITH.
For District Judge
J E DILLARD
For County Judge
J. H. FAULKNER.
For County Clerk
PAT MOULDEN.
For Sheriff
J. W. PAFFORD.
For Tax Collector
YANCY POWELL.
For County Superintendent of Schools
W. M. ERWIN.
For County Surveyor
ED. H. KEEN.
For Commissioner Precinct No. 1
SAM H. FOX.

LOCAL NEWS.

Personals and Happenings of Interest Gathered for The Democrat's Many Readers.

MONDAY AUGUST 29.

Miss Bettie Griffin is visiting in Sherman today.

Call on Goostree & Houston for best groceries at reasonable prices.

Quite a number of visitors Sundayed in McKinney.

Buy your Whiskeys, Braudies, and Wines for medicinal use at City Drug Store.

Mrs. Pearl Sneed is visiting in Ladonia this week.

Window Shades, Wall Paper at Largent Book and Jewelry Store.

Johnny McKinney is in Dallas on business today.

Goostree & Houston believe in expansion—expansion of their grocery trade.

Horace Pardue is reported quite sick of the fever.

Best Paint on earth, guaranteed, Sherwin & Williams, at City Drug Store.

The East Fork bridge will be repaired at once.

Largent Bros, for Jewelry.

Miss Mattie Cole is visiting at Walnut Grove.

Old papers 25cts, per hundred at this office.

Albert Earthman, of Elmont, is in the city.

Wall Paper, very cheap at City Drug Store.

John Welch and wife Sundayed at Bethel.

For county maps call on J. H. Jenkins.

The Bethel camp meeting closed last night.

Old papers at this office for sale 25cts per hundred.

Miss Nora Elmore is visiting at Bowlby.

Soldier Guns and Cannons in the toy line at the Nickle Store.

Tom Lightfoot of Dallas is here.

Ice cream freezers, screen doors and windows at Asbury & Nelson's

Mr. Burton Bethel has returned to his home in Oklahoma.

Rhoades Tasteless Chill Tonic is pleasant to take and every bottle is guaranteed. Erwin & Fant.

Mrs. Lansdale is numbered among the sick today.

We guarantee Rhodes Tasteless Cnill Tonic, Erwin & Fant.

Miss Mac Marshall is quite sick at her home.

Hot and Cold Artesian Baths all hours at the Foote House barber shop.
Hinman & Richardson

Miss Tattie Wilcox, of Bowlby, is visiting in the city.

Pure whiskey for medicine is as essential as pure drugs. Only the strictly straight pure old Whiskey and Brandy sold at City Drug Store.

Master Otis Nelson is spending a few days at Prosper.

We cordially invite our friends and the public to see us when wanting furniture, queensware, window shades, stoves or floor mattings.
Asbury & Nelson.

Miss Agnes McKinney has returned from Sherman.

Goostree & Houston carry all kinds of canned goods of superior brand.

Born—Saturday, to Mr. and James Sparlin,—a boy.

We guarantee Rhoades Taste less Chill Tonic. Erwin & Fant,

Wade Cunningham returned to his home at Ennis today.

Best Buggy and Wagon Paints, all colors at City Drug Store.

Yesterday was a pretty day and the people attended the churches.

In everything pertaining to the barbers line the Foote House Barber shop is leader.

J. S. Hill, the enterprising gin man, of Melissa, is on our streets today.

What have you for dinner? Goostree & Houston can supply you with choice market products.

Mrs. W. B. Maydwell is visiting Mrs. J. V. Herndon, of Greenville.

See Largent Bros., for Jewelry.

Mrs. Burt Hunter, of Suphur Springs, is visiting relatives in the city.

Best shaving artists obtainable at the Foote House Barber Shop.

Wall paper, all the latest styles and new colorings for sale cheap at City Drug Store.

William Bagley, Miss Mary Bagley and little Miss Eviline Waters are visiting in Ladonia.

Do your barbering at the Foote House shop—Hinman & Richardson, Proprietors.

Miss Lang who has been visiting Miss Blanch Morten has returned to her home at Dallas.

The rush to Porto Rico and the Phillipines is nothing compared to the rush in trade at Goostree & Houston.

Mr. Walton Fahm, who Sundayed in the city, returned to his home at Dallas this morning.

Chill tonics, all kinds at City Drug Store.

Miss Jessie Bateman returned to her home in Melissa today after a pleasant visit to friends here.

Machine and cylinder oils at City Drug Store.

Miss Esther Work, of Lebanon, visited in the city Saturday and Sunday.

The lost babe was found at the Nickle Store amusing itself with the wonderful toys to be found there.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Sullivan Sundayed with relatives at Whites Grove.

See the new things in Wall Paper before you buy, at City Drug Store.

Judge M. G. Abernathy and daughters, Misses Janie and Ethel visited in Royse Saturday and Sunday.

Do you need buttons? Step into the Nickle Store and price their line of these goods.

Justice court convened this morning, called the docket and set the cases for trial.

Scholarships for Sale or Trade.

Two business scholarships for sale or trade. Call at this office

Ex-Tax Collector J. W. McKinney, of Anna, is among his old friends here today.

NOTICE—I have a Kirkland & Ferguson Steam Corn Sheller for sale. Nearly bran new; will take $140 cash, or half cash and balance 6 months time with note and good security. Call on R. C. White, McKinney, Texas.

The McKinney first nine crossed bats with the Engleman Reds, Saturday, with a score of five to nine in favor of McKinney.

Sugar a suitable prices for fruit preserving at Goostree & Houstons.

Mr. Tom Young who has been very low with fever for some time is slowly improving

Little Jack Horner went around the corner,
To buy some groceries for mother
Such selection he made that now she will trade,
With Goostree & Houston no other.

Miss Nora Stagner has returned from a pleasant visit in the Wilmeth community.

Goodness, honesty and value, shows in the BUCKSKIN BREECHES; doesn't matter if you wear the strongest kind of caitical spitlachs, you can't discover a loose button, a weak seam, or a ripable corner or pocket. They wear longer and fit better than any other Jeans Pants on earth. We guarantee this. Look for warranty in pocket.

A big crowd of McKinney folks attended the campmeeting at Bethel yesterday.

Impure blood is an enemy to health, and may lead to serious disease. Hood's Sarsaparilla conquers this enemy and averts danger

Miss Price, of Oak Cliff, returned today, after a pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. T. L. McMullen.

The Ladies.

The pleasant effect and perfect safety with which ladies may use Syrup of Figs, under all conditions, makes it their favorite remedy. To get the true and genuine article, look for the name of the California Fig Syrup Co. printed near the bottom of the package. For sale by all druggists.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Stiff left this morning for a few days sojourn at Marlin and Wooton Wells.

Pecans Wanted.

200 pounds of fine pecans at highest market price. Leave samples with McKinney Democrat Editor.
E. W. Kirkpatrick.

Healthfulness

of the bath depends largely on cleanliness of the bath tub. Court health and shun sickness by using

GOLD DUST WASHING POWDER

for all household cleansing purposes. Largest package—greatest economy. Sold everywhere. Made only by THE N. K. FAIRBANK COMPANY, Chicago, St. Louis, Boston, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg.

M'KINNEY MARKETS.

[CORRECTED WEEKLY.]

Cotton	4.50 to 5
Cotton seed per ton	$8.00.
Wheat per bus	65 to 67.
Corn per bus	20cts.
Oats per bus	18 to 20 cts.
Hay baled per ton	$4.50 to $5.50
Butter per lb	12½ to 15cts.
Eggs per doz	8 to 10 cts.
Chickens per doz	$1.25 to 2.00
Irish Potatoes, per bu	65cts
Sweet Potatoes, per bu.	50cts.
Onions per bu	50 cts

Prof. A. Q. Nash, president of the North Texas Female College, at Sherman, was in our city yesterday.

Joe Burger and wife, who have been visiting the old home at Roanoke, Va., have returned home.

Rhodes tasteless chill tonic is the best on the market. Guaranteed.
Erwin & Fants

Misses Annie and Lillie Newman and Mr. W. B. Benge attended the Allen meeting last night.

Chickens Wanted.

Mr. T. J. Melton, the groceryman, wants it distinctly understood that he will buy chickens if the people will bring them to market. He will pay the highest market price for them.

Miss Scott who has been visiting the Misses Jenkins returned to her home at Melissa this morning.

Do You Know the Virtues.

Of the waters and climate of Eureka Springs, Ark.? Do you want to know? We have a booklet on the subject which is yours for the asking; it is free. Address B. L. Winchell, General Passenger Agent, Frisco Line, St. Louis.

Miss Dadie Wilkerson, of Mt. Pleasant, has returned to our city where she will conduct a kindergarten school during the winter.

Found:—Good luck by trading at the Nickle Store.

Mr. J. W. Asbury left yesterday for Whitewright, where his daughter, Miss Ola, will attend school the coming term.

Our rates for shaving, haircutting, etc., are lowest possible consistant with first class service.
Hinman & Richardson.

CASTORIA.

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

Miss Hutchinson, of Columbus, Mississippi, who has been visiting Miss Betsy Wiley leaves today to visit friends at Paris.

Latest Sheet Music.

"We'll Stand by The Flag," "Loan Me a Nickel," "Get Off of Cuba's Toes," "What Might Have Been," "America Forever."
J. T. Couch,
McKinney, Texas.

Soon the compress will be running in full blast. Now, if McKinney had a cotton mill, an iron foundry and a furniture factory she would be all right.

Shake into Your Shoes

Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder for the feet. It cures painful, swollen, smarting feet and instantly takes the sting out of corns and bunions. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Allen's Foot-Ease makes tight or new shoes feel easy. It is a certain cure for sweating, callous and hot, tired, aching feet. Try it today. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores. By mail 25c in stamps. Trial package FREE. Address
Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y.

Horace Hill's pleasant countenance now beams among the health restorers at the McKinney Drug Co's., in the absence of Joe Dulaney, who has gone to study pharmacy in the North Western University of Chicago.

Skin Diseases.

For the speedy and permanent cure of tetter, salt rheum and eczema, Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment is without an equal. It relieves the itching and smarting almost instantly and its continued use effects a permanent cure. It also cures itch, barber's itch, scald head, sore nipples, itching piles, chapped hands, chronic sore eyes and granulated lids.

Dr. Cady's Condition Powders for horses are the best tonic, blood purifier and vermifuge. Price, 25 cents. Sold by City Drug Store.

TUESDAY AUGUST 30.

T. L. Reed, of Melissa, is in the city.

Frank McKinney, of Anna, is here today.

T. D. Farnesworth, of Chambersville, was here today.

Prof. S. J. Creswell, principal of the Anna high school is in the city.

The clouds look heavy as though we might have more rain soon.

Lone Christie, one of Allen's enterprising merchants, is in the city today.

Mr. Harding, of Howe, is here with his son who comes to attend Hawthorne College.

Prof. Fritz, of Celest, who will teach the public school at Melissa, is on our streets today.

The Collin County Baptist Association convenes here next Tuesday.

Prof. Marshall now occupies the Hawthorne College dormitory and several boarding pupils have arrived.

Populist Call.

Anna Tex., Aug. 27 1898.

To the populists of the 3d commissioners district: Having been appointed chairman of this commissioners district, I hereby call a mass convention, to meet at Graybill Saturday Sept. 10 1 p. m. 1898 for the purpose of nominating a candidate for commissioner. Come out and bring your populist neighbor.

S. L. Bradshaw
Chm. 3rd Com. Dis.

Ike Schwartz, formerly of McKinney, but now of Texarkana, is here shaking hands with his many friends.

Terrell & Reeves are moving their law office from over the C. C. Bank to quarters over Bristol's drug store.

Miss Duncan of Rock Hill who at present is visiting Mrs. Wade will leave in a few days to attend school at Oak Cliff.

The Pecan crop of Collin is reported as being an average crop this season but nothing to compare with last years crop.

Catarrh Cannot be Cured.

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.
F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O.
Sold by druggists, price 75c.
Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Evangelist J. B. Sanders, who has just closed a meeting at Allen, will preach at the Christain church here at 8 o'clock tomorrow night.

Mrs. W. A. Parker and little daughter, Genevive, returned home yesterday evening after a week's visit to relatives in Denison.

Mrs. Virginia Anderson and daughter, Miss Andre, of Ft. Worth, who has been visiting the family of J. M. Pearson, returned last evening.

The protracted meeting is progressing nicely. The sermon last evening was elegant and forceful and the baptismal ceremonies were solemn and impressive.

A camp meeting on the line of entire sanctification will be held at Bates camp ground, four miles west of Rockhill, Sep. 15 to 25th. H. C. Morrison, of Kentucky, will conduct the meeting. 293d

Charlie Lake has accepted a position with a dry goods firm at Denison and will leave tomorrow to go to work. Charlie is alright and his many friends will miss him when he is gone, but we wish him many pleasures and abundant success wherever he may go.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining unclaimed in the postoffice, at McKinney, Tex. Sept. 1, '98, which, if unclaimed, in two weeks, will be sent to Dead Letter Office at Washington, D. C:

LADIES.

Byrne, C
Cook, S E
Erwin, Erelin
Ferguson, D (2)
Kuce, Louella
Ray, Luia Bone
Shepherd, Nita
Waldern, Mrs.
Weckter, Rose Lee

GENTLEMEN.

Bacon, H H
Blue, Emanal
Buckner, B R
Castlebury, R L
Cransby, M E
Conner, H T
Forsythe, Bill
Graybill, Harry
Grotthouse, H H
Herndon, Tom J
Hynds, B F
Kerr, R H
Moore, C B
Nunn, Daisel
Whitis, Ed

Persons calling for letters on this list must say "advertised" or they may fail to get them.
H. C. Smith,
Postmaster.

A CRITICAL TIME.

During the Battle of Santiago.

SICK OR WELL, A RUSH NIGHT AND DAY.

The Packers at the Battle of Santiago de Cuba were all Heroes. Their Heroic Efforts in Getting Ammuniti n to the Front Saved the Day.

P. E. Butler, of pack-train No. 3. writing from Santiago, De Cuba, on July 23d. says: "We all had diarrhoea in more or less violent form, and when we landed we had no time to see a doctor, for it was a case of rush and rush night and day to keep the troops supplied with ammunition and rations, but thanks to Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, we were able to keep at work and keep our health; in fact, I sincerely believe that at one critical time this medicine was the indirect saviour of our army, for if the packers had been unable to work there would have been no way of getting supplies to the front. There were no roads that a wagon train could use. My comrade and myself had the good fortune to lay in a supply of this medicine for our packtrain before we left Tampa, and I know in four cases it absolutely saved life."

The above letter was written to the manufacturers of this medicine, the Chamberlain Medicine Co., Des Moines, Iowa. For sale by City Drug Store.

There They Go!

Quality in the lead—Price behind. That's the principle on which this Drug Store is run. Oh, yes, we know we've said that before, but then good thing will bear repetition. We keep many things besides drugs. A Drug Store has to cater to the comfort of the community in thousands of ways

We should be pleased to see you when in need of any of the following:

Chemicals, Drugs, Window Glass, Toilet Articles, Kodaks, Trusses, Writing Material, Pocket-books, Cutlery, Razor Straps, Patent Medicines, Stock Powders, Baby Foods,

Respectfully,

Smith Bros.,

East Side. Prescription Druggists.

Populists County Executive Committee.

McKinney Tex., Aug. 30 1898.

I hereby call the Populists County Executive Committee to meet in McKinney at The Democrat office Saturday Sept. 17 at 1 o'clock p. m. There will be business of importance to be attended to. All the cand dates on the Populist County ticket and other populist who feel an interest in the cause are invited to be present.

E. C. Forbes Chm.

MONDAY AUGUST 29.

Wallace Hughston of Plano is here today.

Miss Clara Bigsby, of Belton, is a guest of Miss Emma King.

Miss Grace Maltbie is visiting Miss Margie Lovejoy.

Mrs. Ben W. Rhine went to Dallas this afternoon.

Mrs. J. B. Engleman visited in the city today.

J. S. Lawrence leaves for Weston on business.

Mrs. R. C. White and daughter are visiting in Sherman.

S. Weisman and wife went to Gainesville today.

T. H. Emerson is having his yard fence repainted.

The sick people of McKinney are generally reported better today.

E. B. Thompson spent Sunday in the Whites Grove neighborhood.

Miss Annie Sullivan, of Pilot Point, is the guest of Mrs. Will Tichner.

Misses Chandler and Barnes attended the meeting at Bethel yesterday.

Silas Walker has accepted a position at Nale's and is expected to arrive today.

Mrs. Robinson and son, of Denton, are visiting Mrs. L. W. Crouch.

W. H. Watterman, a former McKinney dry goods man, is with W. S. Knight.

Fred Scofield, Lon Furr and Theodore Yarbrough took a pleasant spin to Plano on their bikes Sunday.

Mrs. G. W. Fox and little daughter, Grace agreeably surprised their friends here by returning unexpectedly last night from Manitou.

Judge Bliss of Sherman, is hearing a habeas corpus case at the court house today, the State of Texas vs Tom Smith, colored, charged with assault with intent to rape. The case was dismissed

T. J. Melton treated several of his customers to big slices of pumpkin Saturday evening. The Democrat scribe is thankful for being remembered among the number.

The dance at Goodwin Graves Saturday night was attended by quite a number of McKinney's young people. All report a pleasant time.

Acorns are plentiful this season if we are to judge by the sample left at our office by Lee Roberts, who lives two miles west of McKinney.

Misses Carrie Nelson and Nora Johnson, and Mr. Joe Haley were among the McKinneyites that attended the meeting at Bowlby last night.

Miss Nora Johnson, of this city, is visiting the family of C. C. Gregory, near Plano. She will teach the Walnut Grove school the ensuing term.

The protracted meeting at Whites Grove commenced last night with a good attendance. It is a union Baptist and Methodist meeting in charge of Revs. Hudsond and Harper.

Master I. D. Newsome received an agreeable surprise Saturday afternoon in the shape of a fine bicycle sent to him by his grandfather, I. D. Newsome, who is spending the summer in Chicago.

Mr. R. F. Dowell is at home again after a visit to Eureka Springs. He says he is much improved in health and that the other McKinney folks at Eureka are enjoying themselves splendidly.

Wallace Hughston, of Plano, is here today.

Miss Annie Sullivan, of Pilot Point, is visiting Miss Nora Reed.

Jesse Bone, of Garza, has returned to attend Hawthorne College.

S. D. Dohoney of Massie & Dohoney, is in Dallas buying goods today.

James Barnett, the enterprising gin man, of Blue Ridge, is in the city.

Walter Glass, of Farmersville, arrived today and will attend Hawthorne College.

Mrs. Jennings who has been visiting in East Texas returned to her home here last night.

Wade Bristol, of Bethel, is here today.

Rev. Miller and daughter, of Bethel, are here today.

McKinney seems to be togging up in her autumn costume.

Joe Crouch and wife attended the meeting at Allen last night.

Frank Dowell and Mrs. Ramsey were married in Dallas yesterday afternoon.

Wess Milligan, of Greenville, has accepted a position at Ed & Will's barber shop.

Mrs. George Murphy, of Sherman, and daughter, Mrs. George S. Murphy, are visiting relatives here.

Mrs. Geo. Wear, of Van Alstyne, is visiting her parents.

Miss Minnie McCracken returned last evening from Wisconsin.

Perry Burrus went to Dallas yesterday afternoon on business.

Miss Linnie Johnson returned last evening from a visit to Dallas.

Spence Dehoney is in Dallas.

Hunter Ferrell, of Plano is here.

Goldie Warden is visiting in Plano today.

M. T. Jones is in Dallas on business today.

Miss Bertha Smith is on the sick list today.

John Works, of Lebanan, is in the city today.

Jim stokes went to Denison this morning, where he has accepted a position with Rally Bros. for the season.

Miss Nora Forman who has been visiting the family of C. W. Smith returned to her home at Plano yesterday.

Miss Jennie Edge has opened her boarding house and is now prepared to furnish first class accommodations, well located 1-2 block from square.

Judge Abernathy and Johnnie McKinney, accompanied by a number of Plano gentlemen, left today for a fews days' hunt at Bois d'Arc Island,

There will be a baptising at Lowery crossing this afternoon at 4 o'clock. There are seventeen to be baptised under the auspices of the Christian church.

Masters Clarence Hill and Charlie Graves have returned from Allen where they have been spending a few day's pleasant visit to their uncle Mr. Hedgcoxe.

Rev R. W. Phelps, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Farmersville, is in our city.

Ex-Tax Collector J.W. McKinney, of Anna, is on our streets today.

Mr. I. D. Newsome and wife, who have been in Chicago for the summer returned this morning.

Miss Ettie McKinney returned last night from a few days pleasant visit to Melissa.

Miss Belle Matthews returned this morning from a pleasant visit to Corsicana.

Sid Williams, the evangelist is making a gallant fight for religion at Sulphur Springs.

The Baptist protracted meeting is growing in interest. Quite a number have joined and the baptising yesterday afternoon was well attended and the ceremonies were beautiful and impressive. The meeting will continue part and may be, all of this week. Services as usual, 10 o'clock a. m., 4 and 8 p. m. Everybody cordially invited.

Miss Kate McAulay returned home yesterday.

Mrs. Murphy returned to Sherman last night.

Miss Blanche Cox, of Anna, is in our city today.

Winter is coming and your side walks are going.

Will Benge was in Plano yesterday afternoon.

Mrs. E. W. Morten visited in Sherman yesterday.

Mrs. A. A. Williams went to Sherman yesterday.

Mrs. J. L. Lovejoy went to Dallas this morning.

Capt. W. A. Rhea returned from Dallas last night.

Several McKinneyites attended the meeting at Allen last night.

Mrs. Joe Anthony returned to her home at Plano this morning.

Mrs. Ben Rhine returned last night from a pleasant visit to Dallas.

McDowell & White have replaced their washwoman window with a fine display of clothing.

Mr. E. W. Kirkpatrick left on the noon train today for Gainesville, where he will attend the ex-confederate reunion.

Mr. Patterson, of Dallas, arrived here today, where he will buy cotton for A. A. Payton & Co., the coming season.

The Collin County Convention of the Baptist Young People's Union will meet here Sunday and Monday. A splendid program has been arranged and the occasion promises to be one of pleasure and profit.

Mr. W. G. Mattison, who has been connected for many years with McDowell & White today resigns his position to accept one at Pittsburg. Mr. Mattison is an efficient dry goods man, an excellent business man. The firm who has secured his services is indeed fortunate. We wish him abundant success wherever he may go.

Mr. W. M. Abernathy today left for Houston accompanied by rare contributions of edibles and delicacies tendered by the generous people of McKinney. At Mr. Abernathys' request we publish a list of those sending contributions today: Miss Josie Talkington, Mrs. Cliff Emerson, Mr. William Duncan, Dr. J. P. Webster, W. A. Rhea, Clint Thompson, Capt. Wiygle, W. T. Brooke, E. A. Newsome, B. H. Oates, Miss Mary Rhea, Mrs. H. A. McDonald, R. L. Parker, Misses Clair, Cecil and Fannye Abernathy, Rogers & Stacy, Misses Clara and Annie Brooke, E. H. Bowlby and James Pollard. If there be any names omitted it is not intentional as we have used our best efforts to secure every one. It is but a just tribute to the above named persons to say their hearts are exactly in the right place and the people of McKinney as well as the boys at Houston feel proud and grateful toward the cheerful givers. Let it be said of the young ladies that with their own hands they have made and contributed some of those delicacies and the boys should know and feel especially proud of their kind efforts. A nice cake it is thought was contributed by Mrs. Collier which Mr. Abernathy says he will present to the Colonel. In sending this box to the boys we also send our love and best wishes with the hope that ere many days they can come heme and be among us again.

A Runaway this Morning.

J. W. Baker of Weston while driving into town this morning on north Church street, his team became freightened and in spite of all he could do, broke at a breakneck speed down the street. Mr. Baker did not have a bed on his wagon and was seated on some part of the "running gear" when he jumped and the force of the speed threw him face foremost to the sidewalk, cutting an ugly but not serious gash over his left eye. Dr. Hunn dressed the wound while a friend who was with Mr. Baker followed the runaway team to Mr. W. T. Pierces' on south Church street where they had collided with Mr. Pierces' yard fence, spoiling a goodly part of the fence and tearing up the harness. With this exception no further damage was done.

THE WOODMEN OF THE WORLD

Met At Their Hall Last Evening And a Pleasant Time Was Experienced.

At 8:30 o'clock last night the Woodmen's Camp was opened with a full attendance. At 9 o'clock the degree of the morning was confered upon a number of visiting members, who were present for this special purpose.

Quite a number of the members of the Princeton camp were present, with distinguished Woodmen from Austin, Galveston, Sherman, Denison, Houston, Anna and Melissa, in attendance. Several short and enthusiastic speeches were made. At 10:30 the Protection degree was conferred. After another hour of business and pleasure the camp closed and the members and visiting members repaired to the Bon Ton, where an elegant dining hall beaming with brightness and filled with beautifully decorated tables, groaning with refreshing delicacies awaited them and where with many happy and funny, as well serious toasts, one and all for got, for a season, the stern cares of life and lived in the joy and splendor of the moment.

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AN OPEN LETTER
To MOTHERS.

WE ARE ASSERTING IN THE COURTS OUR RIGHT TO THE EXCLUSIVE USE OF THE WORD "CASTORIA," AND "PITCHER'S CASTORIA," AS OUR TRADE MARK.

I, DR. SAMUEL PITCHER, *of Hyannis, Massachusetts, was the originator of* "CASTORIA," *the same that has borne and does now bear* Chas. H. Fletcher *on every the fac-simile signature of* Chas. H. Fletcher *wrapper. This is the original* "CASTORIA" *which has been used in the homes of the Mothers of America for over thirty years.*

LOOK CAREFULLY *at the wrapper and see that it is the kind you have always bought* Chas. H. Fletcher *on the and has the signature of* Chas. H. Fletcher *wrapper. No one has authority from me to use my name except The Centaur Company, of which Chas. H. Fletcher is President.*

March 24, 1898. Samuel Pitcher M.D.

Do Not Be Deceived.

Do not endanger the life of your child by accepting a cheap substitute which some druggist may offer you (because he makes a few more pennies on it), the ingredients of which *even he* does not know.

"The Kind You Have Always Bought"
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Insist on Having
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And Guarantee
Price and Quality.

Respectfully,

C. C. Provine.

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3 of any Other BRAND.

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SAVES THE CONSUMER, 5 cts.

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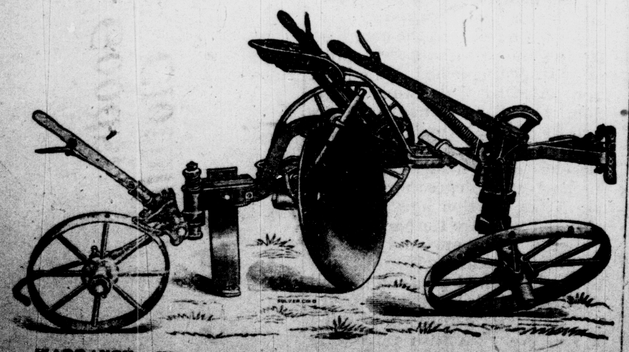

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CAMP BALL BUDGET.

The Boys Awaiting Their "Fate" With True Soldier Resignation.

Camp Tom Ball, Houston, Tex.
Aug. 24, 1898.

Orders were published last evening making Polk Oates of company C, regimental clerk.

Corporal George Quisenberry arrived early Monday morning from a week's stay in McKinney on a ten day's furlough. He is much improved in health and the target of questioners galore from the McKinney boys, whose interest in the "old town" is sharpened by a two month,s absence. The boys were gladdened by the receipt of various remembrances brought from home friends by George and dispensed among them.

Lieut. McDonald returned Monday from a brief trip to Galveston on a furlough.

After a confinement of thirty-nine days in Camp Tom Ball hospital, Ben F. Smith, appeared on McKinney avenue, Sunday afternoon, among his company C comrades, who showered congratulations upon him over his recovery. He had typhoid fever and his life was despaired of for many days. Col. Edmonds will probably take Ben on a recuperation trip to the San Angelo country the latter part of the week.

S. E. Taylor, one of the Whitewright members of company C, expects to leave Friday on an eight days leave of absence for Crockett, Texas, where he will visit relatives.

Company C, has just received its full complement of tents—two more big ones and fifty-four dog tents. The company now has eighteen big tents The dog, or field tents, are four feet high and six feet square and large enough for two soldiers to crawl into and sleep. They are intended for use while in active service and are carried by the soldiers on their backs. Each soldier carries a half.

Tom Sanderlin, Sam Stevens, Sam Howard, Virgil Biggers and Ben Smith are still in the hospital. The latter has about recovered sufficiently to be finally discharged by the surgeons.

The regimental officers expect to take the Fourth on a recreation trip to La Port, Tex., in the near future. La Port is twenty miles distant from Houston on the gulf. Several days will be spent down there before returning to Camp Tom Ball, but the exact length of time and details of the trip have not yet been announced.

Company C, had its first skirmish drill yesterday in the woods near the camp.

Miss Bernie Crim and three young lady friends were the bearers of some dainty edibles to several of the company C boys yesterday afternoon.

Jesse McCullough, T. H. Davis and Joe Hamilton came in this morning from a bref, but refreshing trip to La Port.

Battalion sergeant, Major J. W. Ogilvie, of the first battalion, received his sword yesterday. It is the old army regulation make and Mack is justly proud of it.

Mr. Trenchard and Jack Peters dined at the company C mess shed last evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark, of Houston, dined a number of their company C friends with other parties from the city at company C headquarters, Sunday evening in honor of Mr. Clark's birthday. A big turkey gobler, cake, wine and other delicacies ladened the boards.

"Who is the author of the sausage gang poetry that appeared in a recent issue of the Courier?" To find him or her is now considered as hopeless a task as the finding of the north pole. The gang sent George Quisenberry on a special ten days trip to McKinney in hope that he could unravel the mystery, but nothing but failure rewarded George's diligent efforts. Capt Mike Koirsey has now despaired. He says he had hoped all along until George returned to proclaim the muse the poet-laureate of the sausage gang to all the world.

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Military restrictions are gradually tightening around the Fourth as the days go by and its members acquire facility in the drill and adapt themselves to the new environments of soldier life. Prospects of being mustered out do not affect, in the least, the daily training, or other duties usually exacted of volunteers intended for immediate active service. Every officer from Col. Edmonds, through each department down, is acting as though he had never heard of a protocol, or that Spain had sued for peace and Uncle Sam had given his soldiers the command to "let up." But they are going right ahead drilling harder, receiving and ordering more clothing and equipage of every kind, apparently with the full purpose in view of going right over to Spain, itself, and threshing the treacherous Spaniards on their own native soil. This condition of affairs has nerved company C, up to the pitch where it cannot be surprised at either way "the cat jumps." If the Fourth is retained to police some of Spain's late possessions lying out in the seas they will not be displeased, and if the powers that be, send them back to their homes in old Collin they are sure to be pleased. So just now company C, might be termed an "immune" company against the dread of disappointment.

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Paste This In Your Hat.

The following from the Mexia Evening Ledger a democrat paper is reproduced by request of several of the boys who want it for their scrap books:

"Democracy was struck a fatal blow in this county last Saturday. The fraud and deception practiced in the prmary election. Men who had only resided in this county for three days were voted without any questions being asked. Negroes from this and adjoining counties were voted promiscuously. The election was conducted on the order of "free for all" contest, and no other qualification than for a man to be clad in "pants" was necessary. The voting of negroes began about three o'clock and from that time until the polls closed a constant stream of negroes were passing to and from the polls. The majority of our best citizens are thoroughly disgusted with the manner in which the election was conducted and do not think that they are in honor bound to support the nominees. The promoters of this illegal voting system claim that it was only to retaliate on Groesbeck for the manner in which their first primary was conducted. The ways and doings of Groesbeckites is no concern of ours, and because they are guilty of fraud in their elections, is no reason that Mexia should not have a clean election. If the negroes had been pledged to support the nominee, it would not have looked so bad. But they were asked no questions, only given a drink of whiskey, marched to the polls and voted without a question being asked. The men who participated in the white primary during our city election can but feel proud that they voted in one election which was on the square and not a negro voted with them."

Marriage Licenses.

The following marriage licenses have been issued in the County Clerk's office since last report:

T. R. Feilder to Miss Laura Callis.

H. S Robbins to Miss Alice Self.

Ed Duncan to Miss Monnie Elmore.

Mrs. Hames who lives west of Rock Hill died Wednesday night of typhoid fever, last Saturday night her husband died, and now the rest of the family consisting of five children are suffering with the same disease. Mr. Hames, of Wolfe City, brother of the deceased came here in time to accompany the wagon that carried the coffin to the bereft home. This is indeed sad and should cause us to realize in our slight troubles that they could be worse.

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Yesterday morning at 6:35 o'clock the old familiar "all aboard" rang out, the bell tapped, the whistle shrieked, and though the day was dark and dreary, about one hundred and twenty of the happiest excursionists in the land bid adieu for a day to their comfortable homes to seek the pleasures of the welcoming-babies and the glorious hospitalities of Pittsburg, and like the mighty whirl-wind we gathered strength as we went. Though the rain poured in torrents, every depot lent its respective quota and at 11:45, when the whistle announced the due arrival at our destination, a train of six coaches loaded down with happy, hopeful, expectant souls was met by Pittsburg's beauty and chivalry and tendered a grand salute by the band. After switching, the train to the Cotton Belt track, which had been tendered us by the division superintendent, through the generous efforts and influence of local agent, McMoy, the train was run direct to the picnic ground, where again we were met by an almost solid mass of moving humanity, who greeted us with cheers, and while the band played a modern air, we were escorted to the beautiful cooling shades where, in an elegant and appropriate speech, Mr. Morris Shephard, delivered the address of welcome, which was a gem of eloquence within itself, and merits special mention. After the address of welcome, Lee McDowell, of Greenville, the jolly old ex-conductor for the Katy in a few happy remarks introduced Hon. M. M. Brooks, our nominee for judge of the court of criminal appeals. Mr. Brooks, as is characteristic of himself, made a splendid but short speech and the want of space deprives us of giving it the notice it deserves.

After the speaking, the sumptuous dinner was spread and under the shades, and in the shadows, over here and over there, happy people passed to and fro and the least that could be said would be to say when dinner was over, the entire place was covered with "unhungry" people, who thanked in the happy silence and contentment of their hearts, the great, good and hospitable people of Pittsburg. It seems it would not be out of place; just here, for the reporter to thank, personally, his many friends who seemed to sacrifice other pleasures for ours and especially we extend our undying thanks and appreciation to Mrs. Ben Boydston, whose kindness and hospitality will ever brighten the memories of our trip; words fail to express our appreciation and when we have tried to say the best, the simplest phrase will say the most: "she is one of the best little women in the world."

In behalf of the entire picnic visitors, and especially the railway men, we wish to compliment Pittsburg and her people upon their brilliant achievements toward the success of the picnic and to thank them for the royal hospitality and the generous attention tendered the visitors and especially we must thank Mr. Jno. F. Reynolds, the splendid gentleman, upon whose grounds the picnicers spent the day, and who tendered his beautiful lake and boats free to all, that they might revel in all the pleasures at his command. The city furnished free transportation all day from town to the grounds and every thing was done that could be done to make it a complete success. Nor do we want to forget the old reliable Cotton Belt, which gladly extended its track to us. All in all, the picnic and the excursion was one grand roaring, booming success. When the day was gone and at 7 o'clock, tired and dusty, we got aboard for home, there were many happy and sad farewells and with a splendid run without a single mishap, at 12 o'clock sharp, we were landed at our homes a "little bit" tired, but perfectly satisfied with our trip and convinced that Conductor Boydston, and the S. S. & S., compose the finest excursion aggregation in Texas.

Gibbs on Republican Convention.

The Hon. Barnett Gibbs returned to the city with Senator Marion Butler from the Greenville encampment. A reporter asked him what he thought of the Republican convention:

"I never pestered myself much about its proceedings. In the interest of higher class politics I suggested to some of my Republican friends a good platform on State issues and a good State ticket and a school house canvase.

"I see a Republican says they were turned loose so Major Sayers and myself could bid the colored vote. As I have got money to pay taxes and my fixed charges, I guess the Mouth of the Barzos company and other corporations will buy them cheap. I wish my and my people could advance the business interest of Texas be bulling the market. I don't see why a white Democrat in a Waco primary should be worth $10 gold standard and a colored Democrat in a sure enough election be worth only a drink of liquor. I don't see if the Democratic party is a party of the people, why town votes should be as high as red yearlings and country votes worth no more than chickens. In the interest of good government, as a senator, I voted to give the colored children the same school money per capita as the white childen, and in the interest of good business their votes should bring as much circulating medium as white votes. As a salve owner in my early youth I was taught by parents from the Bible that I would be under an obligation to look after the welfare of these people. I hate to see Democrats demoralize them with mean whisky or low prices for a vote that cost so many millions and so much blood. The Republicans ought at least have one candidate in each county, or hire somebody to read their platform in each precinct. They should have looked after the welfare of the mudsiller Republicans, white and black, and fixed the price of votes at $10, as they knew me and my people were not at the present price of cotton and the present high freight rate able to make a soff market. I feel enough interest in the prosperity of Texas to run cotton up to $50 per bale and votes up to $100 apiece, without regard to color. If I only had enough bull or cow money. I am not a Republican, but they are my feilow citizens and some of them are vine-and-fig-tree people, and I hate to see them robbed of part of their tariff and all of their expansion glory by the Democrats, who will play with it as they do populist planks, and accessary it as a dog does stolen bones. I told a republican he that I was not the daddy of the Texas Relief railroad, but that Gov. Pease of Texas advocated it in a message to the Texas legislature and that he advocated it as a democrat and up to his death as a Republican. He said he never heard of Gov. Pease, but thought he had heard of Gov. Sam Houston, the contemporary and friend of Pease. I told him I had never eaten any Ohio pie, but I did not believe the republicans would find it any better seasoned than Texas pie, if they would get themselves a piece of it. If McKinley would cut off the rations of mince pie, these leaders would not turn up their noses at good Texas pumpkin pie. The democrats are greedy on pie as well as expansion. They are not satisfied with their own rations, but are trying to eat up the rations of both populists and republicans. They catch a 'possum and potato republican asleep and grease his lips and when he wakes up make him believe he had some 'possum. This sight of hand politics is bad for the moral, industrial and political interests of Texas, and just as bad for its commercial as for its agricultural interest, which should be as close together as the Siamese twins. The democrats put in at Galveston an expansion plank to catch the commercial interests and an anti standing army plank to fool the forks of creek people, although one kills the other. The Lord only knows who the job is being put on. Democratic expansion without any increase in the army reminds me of a verse of an old song:

"'Mother, may I go out to swim?
Yes, my darling daughter.
Hang your clothes on a hickory limb
Don't go near the water.'

"The democrats are trying under cover to pull the nigger out of the republican woodpile. A fellow, while I was a democratic politician and not expected to know except what was told me by a boss, contracted to put in ten cords of ash wood. He piled it in my back yard. When I looked at it, the top layer for a foot deep was ash, the other was hackberry. In the democratic woodpile is every kind of wood that grows in the political forest, even ebony, out of sight.

'I don't know anything about the republican convention, except what I read in The News. I was over there a few hours, but only saw gold bug democrats. Some of the colored delegates complained that the democratic leader shad been a mysterious appropriation for Texas out in the bullion dollar appropriation bill. I will get at the bottom of it before referring to it. I got it from a prominent democrat and it may not be reliable. The republicans have some very good planks in their platform, but nobody in the country precincts will ever know it, as they have no newspapers or all the year round publications. It seems that they have no money to print it. Surely the Democrat have not stole Hanna's money as well as his platform."

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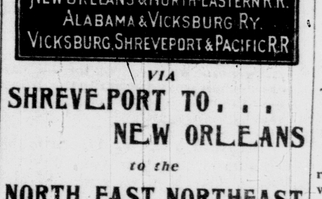

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